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PROPOSAL	

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ALTER THE LEGISLATIVE, EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIAL BRANCHES OF STATE GOVERNMENT

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Require no-reason absentee voting.
- Limit election officials' support of candidates.
- Create separate Office of Elections to supervise elections.
- Create direct initiation of laws by petition.
- Reduce number of Senate and House districts.
- Establish bipartisan commission and standards for creating legislative districts; prohibit state court review of districts.
- Prohibit former elected officials from lobbying for 2 years.
- Reduce salaries, limit retirement benefits and disclose personal finances of legislative, executive and judicial officials.
- Disclose Legislature's financial records.
- Limit state departments to 18; cap boards/commissions.
- Reduce size of Supreme Court and Appeals Court; add circuit judges.
- Transfer discipline of judges to new commission.

Should this proposal be adopted?			
	Yes		
	No		

100 WORDS